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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: UNHRC, SHUM, CI

SUBJ: MEZVINSKY VISIT TO SANTIAGO

REF: STATE 74811

1. FOLLOWING A MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER CARVAJAL ON OTHER
MATTERS I INFORMED HIM THAT AMBASSADOR MEZVINSKY HAD ACCEPTED HIS
INVITATION TO COME TO CHILE TO EXPLORE WAYS OF BREAKING THE
IMPASSE BETWEEN THE GOC AND THE UNHRC AD HOC WORKING GROUP. I
MADE THE THREE POINTS COVERED IN REFTEL:

- THAT AMBASSADOR MEZVINSKY BELIEVED IT ESSENTIAL TO MEET WITH
PRESIDENT PINOCHET AND THE FOREIGN MINISTER;

- THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT THAT THERE BE NO ACCOMPANYING PUBLICITY;
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- THAT AMBASSADOR MEZVINSKY'S ROLE IS ONE OF GOOD OFFICES TO
HELP IN ARRANGING A VISIT BUT THAT HE DOES NOT SPEAK FOR THE WORK-
ING GROUP OR THE UN.

2. CARVAJAL UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED ON ALL POINTS. THE FOREIGN
MINISTER HIMSELF WILL BE VISITING JAPAN UNTIL APRIL 18TH BUT
BELIEVES IT IS IMPORTANT FOR AMBASSADOR MEZVINSKY TO ARRANGE THE

TRIP AS SUGGESTED FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 9. CARVAJAL POINTED OUT
THAT DEPUTY MINISTER ENRIQUE VALDES WAS HIS ALTER EGO IN ALL
MATTERS AND IN FACT VALDES AND MEZVINSKY HAD MET EACH OTHER IN
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